particular street or locality, but of East Washington as a whole. We come not to ask for improvements in front of any man's property or any particular street, but to call our attention specially to what we claim has been a most unjust discrimination against that portion of the district in the expendi-ture of the public funds for the improvement of the streets, avenues, sewers, whier supply, &c., and to lavoke a change of policy in that

To guard against misapprehension, we desire to my that we have no desire to antagon-ize the present commissioners, but to co-operize the present commissioners, but to co-operate with you if possible, in securing a more just and equitable distribution of the district lands. Our object is to present the fields as shown by the records in order that you may act an ierstandingly, and we do it at this time before you prepare the estimate for the coming year, in order that there may not again be the excuse that provision for the easiern section "was not included in the culturates."

Of all the duties which you have to perform there is none which so affects the interests of the citizens generally, and of the property holders in particular, as that of making up the estimates for street improvements. The contracts for all other matters pertaining to district affairs is so fixed by law and so much marter of course as to leave you but little, if any, discretion; but in the matter of street improvements you have full discretion. Now what we ask is, that you shall so exercise that discretionary power as to work "equal and exect justice to all."

As most of you are comparative strangers the transactions which have occurred here

since transactions which have occurred here since we were deprived of a voice in our local government in February, 1871, and entirely so in 1878, it is necessary that we state briefly the principal facts, in order that you may clearly understand the situation.

The board of public works expended in all, about \$30,000,000, of which over two-thirds remains saddled upon us as addit. It is well known that the great bulk of that was spent for improvements in the central and northfor improvements in the central and northportions of the city and Georgetown, e almost none was spent east of the

The board of public works had but fairly commenced operations east of the capitol when they were abolished by congress. The when they were abolished by congress. The principal work done there was to grade the streets preparatory to future improvements, and the result is that the money that was expended, with a few exceptions, was rather a damage than a benefit; because our graveled roadways were taken away, and in place of them we have, over a large portion of that section, a series of deep cuts or canals, leaving a clay bed that suffocates us with dust in dry weather, and mires us in mud in wet weather. This condition of affairs, with the exception of a few streets, exists from near the outskirts of a few streets, exists from near the outskirts to within three or four squares of the capitol building, and, in some instances, extends to the capitol grounds. In some instances the avenues and streets were cut down from tento thirty feet, so that the lots cannot be sold to-day for enough to bring them to grade! That, gentlemen, is what the board of public works did for East Washington.

Turning now to what has been done by Turning now to what has been done by your predecessors since, you will find that it has been a continuous policy of discrimination against East Washington; and, lest you may think this is merely the loose talk of a lot of "cranks" and "chronic grumblers," as we have been elegantly termed by some of your subordinates—men who are living upon taxes paid by us in common with other citizens—we invite your attention to the statements of senators on this point, made dering ments of senators on this point, made dering the discussion of the district appropriation bill at the last session, and which may be found in the Congressional Record of Feb. 24, 1883, pages 48 to 55. Congressional Record to support the foregoing.]

PROOFS TO SUSTAIN THE CHARGE. We now call attention to some facts and offical figures, as proving the truth of the charge of discrimination, and we take only those figures which relate directly or indirectly to the streets, sewers and water.

The report of the commissioners for 1879, page 1, shows expenditures, as follows: 

Total for 1879...... \$812,550 17 Report of 1881, p. 1: 

| 1048 | 4,988 34 | Sewers | 115,391 75 | Permit work | 20,405 09 | Water department | 140,788 74 Total for 1850...... \$669,654 89 Report of 1882, page 135: Replacement of pavements and improvement of streets and avenues. \$300,000 00 Repairs of concrete pavements. 49,784 53 Maiorial for permit work. 19,974 21 Repairs to mace dam randways. 4,901 02 Repairs to streets, alleys, and avenues. Repairs to country roads, and suburban streets. 19,971 52 Division of streets, sileys, and country Frighter's department water supply Sewers—cleaning and repair Lateral sewers.

New York avenue sewer Boundary street auxiliary sewer Boundary street auxiliary sewer avenues. 6,854 98 79,380 79 4.286 60

Total for 1881..... \$772,824 73 Appropriation act, approved March 3, 1883: for sewers. 535,000 00
Water department 95,861 50 Total......\$592,311 50 SUMMARY: 

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show what East Washington has received from these amounts, and that the northwest quarter has received the bulk of the appropriations heretofore. The estimate for street improvements in 1883-4 amounted to \$374,732.25, of which East Washington got only one-ninth. The committee says:

"Right in the heart of the best part of the eastern section are sixteen squares, large and small, bounded by Sixth and Eleventh streets, A street south and Pennsylvania avenue, where the streets have not been touched, the sidewalks not set out, the road bed not graded, and no trees planted. hed not graded, and no trees planted. Through these run North Carolina and South Carolina avenues, on which new buildings are being creeted, as on many of the streets, are being creeted, as on many of the streets, and to this day there is not even a tree on them, although trees are being planted outside of the city limits in the northwest. On some of the streets, notably Eighth, the improvements have been made, as to grading, setting out the sidewalks, and planting frees from East Capitol to South A, and there stopped. From there all the waydown to Pa ave, not a thing has been done; and though citizens have petitioned time and again to have the street merely regulated, by the bringing out of the sidewalks and placing them at grade, so they could plant trees at their own expense, and although that has been provided for in the estimates and shown on the official map as done in part, it has never been done, and the provision for it has been finally dropped from the estimates. Some of that property is owned by the most enterprising business citizens of that section, who have their homes there, and some of whom have already paid more for sidewalks, change of grade, &c., than the property itself cost."

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East and south of the Capitol it is equally had. There is hardly a street that one can drive through cast and west. Indeed, from the boundary on the north to the river on the south there are only about half a dozen streets that are passable. Compare this condition with that of the west end, and no one can fail to see how unjust and persistent the

along with its street improvements, but in the eastern section, whenever a citizen desires to build, although the building regulations made by the commissioners require him to connect his house with a sewer, still they have persistently refused to provide sewers to connect with, and require individuals to build them at their own expense, their secures being that there is a nanoportion. their excuse being that there is no appropria-tion, simply because they had neglect-4 for in-clude them in their estimates; and when, as in the present season, money is used for that purpose, nearly all of it is expended in the western section, as shown by the recent ad-vertisement for hids."

Many individual cases are cited in which the injustice perpetrated on property owners least forth. Concerning the water service, the com-

Concerning the water service, the committee say:

As all know, the residents on the high grounds east of the capital layer suffered more than all others for want of water. So serious has been the trouble from that source that many persons have left the hill in consequence, as stated by cenator Beck in the Sendar.

At the urgent request of the citizens of the Hill, congress gave them the state of the state of asking any effort to relieve them, your predicessors expended a large sum—reported at over \$70,000—to build a standpipe for the special banefit of a section of the northwest, and which entails an annual expense of about \$15,000. When building it they assorted that it was to supply Capitol hill.

At the urgent request of the citizens of the Hill, congress gave them the \$55,000 asked for that purpose, and added therefor these words: "And the money so advanced shall be expended to improve the water supply on Capitol hill."

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Notwithstanding this positive direction by congress, that money was never used for any such purpose. Instead of connecting the standpipe with the hill, they reduced our supply by tapping our supply main with a 12-inch pipe, and running it from Massachusetts avenue down Fourth and Four-and-a-half streets to the low grounds southwest of the botanical garden. That was paid out of the for water fund. Not content with that, they spent \$047.28 of that appropriation to assist in the purchase of a steam pump. &c., for the in the purchase of a steam pump, &c., for the use of a private citizen, to pump water out of our mains (although not so stated), and thus further lessen the general supply on the Hill.
The balance of the \$25,000 they neglected to
use, and it went back into the treasure.
It is charged that unjust discrimination
has also been made in the number of lampposts; also that the permit fund has been

grossly misused, nearly all of it going to the northwest.

Inequality of taxation is also charged, and and as the committee says: "Thus, while this favored section (the northwest) pays taxes at but little over one-fourth its actual value, our property pays taxes a fourth more than its value, thus making us pay nearly four times as much, in proportion to the value of our property, as they do! And when you add to this the fact that nearly all the taxes we pay are expended in that section, and that, too, largely for the benefit of real estate rings and non-resident speculators, it would seem that injustice could hardly go forther." further.

After illustrating the illegality of the policy that has been pursued toward East Washington, the committee concludes its complaint with the following broadside aimed at the commissioners:

the commissioners:

In order more fully to carry out this policy of discrimination in favor of the western section, the commissioners even went so far as to expend money there in plain, open violation of the law, by improving streets not included in their estimates, and for which no appropriation had been made. At the same time, for years, they refused to expend the money that had been appropriated in accordance with their own estimates on streets that ance with their own estimates on streets that would have benefited the eastern section. To relieve them of this illegal action, they

secured the insertion in the appropriation bill for 1883 of a disguised provision, which relieves them of the responsibility of their action in that respect to the amount of 850, 000; and an application is now being ener-getically pressed before the comptroller, by one of the ex-commissioners, for relief from the responsibility of an additional \$50,000 misapplied by them in the same way, and which the attorney general has just decided cannot be done.

Whether this discrimination has been due to the fact, as alleged by some of the senators.

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Engineer's department. 148,517 08
Total for 1678. \$607,278 49
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Engineer's department: 91,081 93
Whether this discrimination has been due to the fact, as alleged by some of the senators, that the district officers have all been appointed from the favored section, you can judge as well as we; but if you will compare the following list of officers and their localities with the map showing where the great bulk of the improvements have been made, you will find a most striking coincidence.

Engineer's department: 91,081 93
The very fact that you gentlemen all reside in that section should, and we trust will, render you all the more careful to see that render you all the more careful to see that not, and never has had any representative or

your board. H. E. PAINE, 204 A street southeast, JOHN FARNSWORTH, 50 B street northeast, W. C. DODGE, 116 B street northeast, S. C. CLARKE, 501 Stanton Place northeast.

Local Items. Mr. Charles Greff, the proprietor of Meyer's hotel on Pennsylvania avenue, who died hist Monday, was buried yesterday at Prospect hill cemetery. The funeral cortege was very large, and the floral tributes most profuse. The deceased, although but 35 years old at the time of his death, was quite prominent among the German element of this city.

A picnic was held at the Schuetzen park yesterday for the benefit of St. Joseph's orphan asylum, and it was well attended, although the large sals of tickets beforehand would have indicated a still greater number of visitors. The children of the asylum enjoyed themselves with many games and Mr. Charles Greff, the proprietor of Meyer's

joyed themselves with many games and pastimes.
The school children of the Trinitatis Ger-

man Lutheran church, on the corner of Sixth and N streets northwest, were given a picule and N streets northwest, were given a picnic at Germania Schuetzen park yesterday, which was a fine success. Prizes were offered to the adult attendants for bowling and shooting.

A meeting of the Ladies' Irish National League was held last night at the residence of Mrs. James Plant, 10th and B streets, S. E. Miss E. Handebeau presided. Mrs. Plant, treasurer, forwarded a sum of money to Sister Agnes Morough Bernard for the poor of her district. The ladies are going to reorganize

district. The ladies are going to reorganize at an early date.

An alarm of fire was turned in from box 23 about 8:30 yesterday morning, which was caused by the chimney of house No. 309 L street, northwest, catching fire. It was ex-tinguished by a number of citizens. No dam-

Destroyed by Fire.

BROOKLYN, July 18,-A fire broke out this morning in Wadsworth's machinery and Longman's domestic paint manufactory at North Ninth and Sixth streets, Williamsburgh. The works were nearly demolished before the flames were extinguished. The loss on the building is \$1,000, and on the stock

and machinery \$15,000.

YONKERS, N. Y., July 18.—The works of the Youkers Gaslight company were partly destroyed by fire this morning. By an explosion several persons were injured. The damage will amount to several thousand dallars. dollars

Cape Vincent, N. Y., July 18,—Scobell's brewery here was burned early this morn-ing. Hundreds of barrels of lager, ale, and porter, and 1,500 bushels of malt were de-stroyed. The loss is probably \$20,000. No

PERSONAL. Dr. F. X. Dooley and family left this city for Ocean View yesterday evening for a short stay. Hon. Roscoe Coukling, of New York, left the city on the New York train last night for home. Dr. Beale, of East Washington section, rides a sliver mounted tricycle when visiting patients at

Mr. E. Jay Edwards, correspondent of the New York Sun, left last night for a ten days' trp to Culorado. Miss Linde Brown, of N street, has just return d from a trip to Boston, New York, and the White mountains.

Mrs. A. Wuestenfeld is summering at St. George's island, where a number of Washingtonians have gone into summer quarters.

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At Wilmington, (championship)-Quickstep...... 0 1 0 0 0 2 0 0 1—4 Active...... 0 0 0 0 0 2 0 0 0 0 At Camden, (championship game)-

The Bogus Doctors in Louisville. PHILADELPHIA, PA., July 18 .- Mayor King received a letter this morning from an official of the Louisville and Nashville Railroad com pany, stating that the bogus doctors, Prof. A. Campbell and H. Davling, M. D., are now in Louisville and asking for information con-ception them. cerning them.

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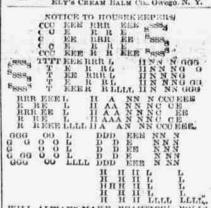
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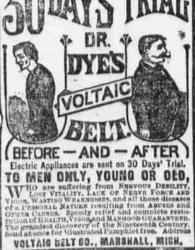
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